

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Ryan Zinke, on January 19, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 303 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Ryan Zinke, Chair (R)
Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Gary Branae (D)
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)
Sen. Tom Facey (D)
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)
Sen. Bob Lake (R)
Sen. Frederick "Eric" Moore (R)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Jeff Essmann (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Casey Barrs, Legislative Branch
Gilda Clancy, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing and Date Posted: SB 80, 1/12/2011; SJ 8; 1/12/2011
Executive Action: SB 44

Committee Business:

00:00:50 Chairman Zinke

HEARING ON SB 80

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:46 Casey Barrs, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:02:37 Sen. Anders Blewett (D), SD 11, opened the hearing on SB 80, Revise student loan and scholarship laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:44 Dan Villa, Education Policy Advisor, Office of the Governor

Opponents' Testimony:

00:09:13 Jim Stipcich, President, Student Assistance Foundation (SAF)

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Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:15:06 Sen. Lake
00:16:23 Dan Villa, Office of the Governor
00:20:23 Sen. Lake
00:21:25 Dan Villa
00:23:15 Sen. Ripley
00:23:42 Jim Stipcich, SAF
00:25:57 Sen. Ripley
00:26:11 Jim Stipcich
00:26:46 Sen. Brown
00:27:23 Dan Villa
00:30:05 Sen. Brown
00:30:17 Dan Villa
00:31:20 Sen. Hawks
00:31:46 Dan Villa
00:32:02 Sen. Hawks
00:32:15 Dan Villa
00:32:31 Chairman Zinke

Closing by Sponsor:

00:32:56 Sen. Blewett

HEARING ON SJ 8

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:34:13 Casey Barrs, LSD

00:34:48 Sen. Bob Hawks (D), SD 33, opened the hearing on SJ 8, Resolution on urban-rural divide study by U-system.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:38:39 Doug Steele, Montana State University, (MSU)

00:42:43 Sylvia Moore, Deputy Commissioner, Office of Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:44:24 Sen. Brown

00:45:27 Doug Steele

00:48:26 Sen. Brown

00:49:57 Doug Steele

00:51:28 Sen. Ripley

00:53:21 Doug Steele

00:55:37 Sen. Facey

00:56:31 Sylvia Moore

00:57:14 Sen. Facey

00:57:35 Sylvia Moore

00:58:20 Sen. Moore

00:59:07 Sen. Hawks

Closing by Sponsor:

01:00:32 Sen. Hawks

Committee Business:

1:03:54 Chairman Zinke

1:05:55 Sen. Branae

1:06:12 Chairman Zinke

1:07:00 Sen. Branae

1:07:20 Sen. Lake

1:08:10 Chairman Zinke

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 44

Motion:

01:08:37 Sen. Branae moved that **SB 44 AS AMENDED BE RECONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE.**

Discussion:

01:09:26 Sen. Ripley
01:10:01 Sen. Hawks
01:11:14 Sen. Lake
01:12:15 Sen. Brown
01:13:30 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy
01:16:08 Sen. Lake
01:16:39 Sen. Branae

Vote:

01:17:18 Motion failed 5-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Hawks, Sen. Branae, Sen. Brown, Sen. Stewart-Peregoy, and Sen. Facey voting aye. Sen. Essmann voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:20 P.M.

Gilda Clancy, Secretary

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